13. (Amended) A [The] panel [according to claim 1] for an airbag of an automobile formed by integrally molding a cover body made of a synthetic resin with a main body made of another synthetic resin, the panel comprising:

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a joint portion joined with the cover body provided around an opening portion formed in the main body,

wherein [an] the joint portion constitutes an overlapping portion in which an outer peripheral edge of the cover body is overlapped as being arranged on the inner side of an opening edge of the main body, and the opening edge of the opening portion of the main body is mechanically connected to the outer peripheral edge of the cover body.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, and 5-14 remain pending in this application, claims 2 and 4 having been deleted by the present preliminary amendment and claims 1, 5, and 13 having been amended by the present preliminary amendment.

Applicants have proposed drawing corrections and have amended the specification and claims corresponding to what was done during International Preliminary Examination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the proposed drawing corrections and the amendment to the specification and the claims do not add any new matter and that support for the proposed drawing corrections and the amendments to the specification and the claims can be found in the originally filed specification, claims, and drawing figures. Based on the foregoing,

Applicants request entry and consideration of the proposed drawing corrections and the

amendments to the specification and the claims and approval of the proposed drawing corrections.

In view of the present amendment, however, claims 1-4 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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